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**REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 3 and 5 will be pending in the application upon entry of the above amendments. Claims 1 to 3 and 5 have been amended. Support for the amendments to claims 1 to 3 and 5 exists in the specification as filed and in the knowledge attributable to one of ordinary skill in the art. Claim 4 was previously cancelled and is listed as such herein. Favorable reconsideration in light of above amendment and the remarks which follow is respectfully requested.

With regard to the amendments to claims 1, 2, 3 and 5, the amendments to these claims encompass the proposed amendment made by Examiner Swartz. Given the discussions had between the Applicants' undersigned representative and Examiner Swartz and the data submitted via the Rule 1.132 Declaration, it is believed that the claims as currently amended are allowable. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

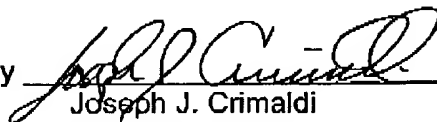
Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988, Attorney Docket No. KUMAP0105US.

Respectfully submitted,  
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